



IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

In Re Application of: Valentin Hierzer		Confirmation No.: 6608					
Appli	ication No.: 09/780,760	Group Art Unit: 3727					
Filing	g Date: February 9, 2001	Examiner: Robin Annette Hylton					
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Sir:		NOLOGY CENT 2003					
	REPLY TR	ANSMITTAL LETTER					
	Transmitted herewith for filing in	n the above-identified patent application is:					
	A Preliminary Amendment.						
\boxtimes	An Amendment Responsive to the Office Action Dated January 29, 2003.						
	An Amendment Supplemental to the Paper filed .						
	Other: .						
	Applicant(s) has previously claim	ned small entity status under 37 CFR § 1.27.					
	Applicant(s) by its/their unders CFR § 1.27 as:	igned attorney, claims small entity status under 37					
	an Independent Inventor						
	a Small Business Concern	${f n}$.					

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		a Nonprofit Organization							
		This application is no longer entitled to small entity status. It is requested that this be noted in the files of the U.S. Patent and Trademark Office.							
		Loss of Entitlement Enclosed							
		Substitute Pages of the Specification are enclosed.							
		An Abstract is enclosed.							
·.		Sheets of Proposed Corrected Drawings are enclosed.							
•		A Certified Copy of each of the following applications: is enclosed.							
		An Associate Power of Attorney is enclosed.							
		Information Disclosure Statement.							
		Attached Form 1449.							
		A copy of each reference as listed on the attached Form PTO-1449 is enclosed herewith.							
		Appended Material as follows:							
		Other Material as follows:							

FEE CALCULATION

No Additional Fee is Due.

				SMALI	ENTITY	NOT SMALL ENTITY		
	REMAINING AFTER AMENDMENT	HIGHEST PAID FOR	EXTRA	RATE	FEE	RATE	FEE	
TOTAL CLAIMS	30	28 (20 MINIMUM)	2	\$9 EACH	\$	\$18 EACH	\$36	
INDEP. CLAIMS	2	3 (3 MINIMUM)		\$42 EACH	\$	\$84 EACH	\$	
FIRST PRESENTATION OF MULTIPLE DEPENDENT				\$140	\$	\$280	\$	
ONE MONTH EXTENSION OF TIME			\$55	\$	\$110	\$		
TWO MONTH EXTENSION OF TIME				\$205	\$	\$410	\$	
☐ THREE MONTH EXTENSION OF TIME☐ FOUR MONTH EXTENSION OF TIME			\$465	\$	\$930	\$930		
			\$725	\$	\$1450	\$		
☐ FIVE MONTH EXTENSION OF TIME				\$985	\$	\$1970	\$	
LESS ANY EXTENSION FEE ALREADY PAID			minus	(\$)	Minus	(\$)		
☐ TERMINAL DISCLAIMER			\$55	\$	\$110	\$		
OTHER	FEE OR SURCHA	RGE AS FOLLO	OWS:					
	TOTAL FEE DUE				\$		\$966.00	

- A check in the amount of <u>\$966.00</u> is attached. Please charge any deficiency or credit any overpayment to Deposit Account 23-3050.
- Petition is hereby made under 37 CFR § 1.136(a) (fees: 37 CFR § 1.17(a)(1)-(4) to extend the time for response to the Office Action of January 29, 2003 to and through July 29, 2003 comprising an extension of the shortened statutory period of three month(s).
- The Commissioner is hereby requested to grant an extension of time for the appropriate length of time, should one be necessary, in connection with this filing or any future filing submitted to the U.S. Patent and Trademark Office in the above-identified application during the pendency of this application. The Commissioner is further authorized to charge any fees related to any such extension of time to Deposit Account 23-3050. This sheet is provided in duplicate.
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- Any additional filing fees required, including fees for the presentation of extra claims under 37 CFR § 1.16.
- Any additional patent application processing fees under 37 CFR § 1.17 or 1.20(d).

SHOULD ANY DEFICIENCIES APPEAR with respect to this application, including deficiencies in payment of fees, missing parts of the application or otherwise, the U.S. Patent and Trademark Office is respectfully requested to promptly notify the undersigned.

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